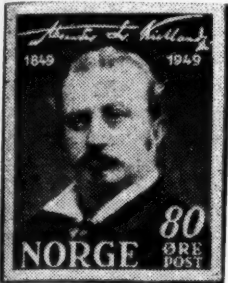


# LIBERIAN SET RIVALS RAINBOW

## Noted Norwegian Author Honored

Norway celebrated the 100th anniversary of the birth of one of its most famous men of letters on May 9, with a series of three commemorative stamps. The man is Alexander L. Kielland.



Denominations and colors of the three all of which will have identical designs are: 25 ore red, 40 ore blue and 80 ore brown. A total of four, two and one million respectively will be issued of each value.

The design which includes a portrait of Kielland plus his autograph was adapted from a photograph by E. Hohlenberg of Copenhagen. The printing which is by photogravure was the work of Emil Moestue A/S of Oslo, Norway.

Alexander Kielland was one of the great Norwegian authors near the end of the 19th century. He was particularly distinguished for the precision and the elegance of his diction. Kielland's best works were produced from the years 1870 to 1891.

The stamps will appear on paper without watermark in sheets of 100 with a 13 perforation.

While the Norwegian Philatelic Agency does not service first day covers, it will have the stamps available. The rate of exchange is 4.90 Kroner per one United States dollar. Payment for the stamps and return postage should be sent to Postverkets Frimerkesalg til Samlere, Oslo, Norway.

## Court Orders Stamp Firm To Pay Claims

On April 11, Leonard J. Schweitzer, proprietor of the Clifton Stamp Co. of Clifton, N. J. pleaded guilty to each of three indictments which charged him with use of the mails to defraud. The Federal Court at Newark, N. J. sentenced Schweitzer to two years in prison on each count the sentences to run concurrently.

The sentence was suspended and Schweitzer placed under probation by the court with the understanding that he is to make restitution to his customers within the next five years.

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130-139	1.75	1.88	1.99	2.10	2.21	2.32	2.43	2.54	2.65
140-149	1.75	1.88	1.99	2.10	2.21	2.32	2.43	2.54	2.65
150-159	1.75	1.88	1.99	2.10	2.21	2.32	2.43	2.54	2.65
160-169	1.75	1.88	1.99	2.10	2.21	2.32	2.43	2.54	2.65
170-179	1.75	1.88	1.99	2.10	2.21	2.32	2.43	2.54	2.65
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TO PRETTY TO USE FOR POSTAGE. The six new stamps which Liberia issued on April 14 are probably the most colorful stamps to see daylight for a long time. Printed in six colors each, they were designed by Arthur Szyk, noted miniaturist. The issue consists of four stamps for regular postage, 1c, 2c, 3c & 5c & two air stamps 25c & 50c.

## Hambletonian Takes On New Form; Is Democratic-Republican Race For Sponsorship Of Horse Stamp

A race as big and as exciting as any Hambletonian ever run at the Goshen, New York track is now taking place in that community where the trotters and pacers have made history in American racing circles.

"They're Off," was shouted some time ago and as the race continues it is still a question of which side will win but the citizens of Goshen are backing the Republican horse driven by Mrs. Katherine St. George, Republican Congressional Representative from the district who sponsored a bill in Congress for a Hambletonian stamp. The Bill calls for a stamp to be issued August 9th, honoring the 100th anniversary of the birth of Hambletonian, the famous trotter for which the annual race is named.

It appears that Miss Elizabeth Sharts, town historian for Goshen and author of a widely known book "Cradle of the Trotter," gave the idea to Mrs. St. George. She beat the gun on Chester, New York by getting her bill into the hopper in Congress unbeknown to the citizens of Chester.

The Chester community burst into an uproar when they found that the Goshen horse had got away from the post first and immediately took steps to get their horse in the race. They tried to induce Miss Sharts to have the bill withdrawn in favor of Chester, but Miss Sharts said "No."

Then the Chester Chamber of

Commerce sold the Democratic County Chairman on the idea of getting a bill on the very same stamp before Congress—except that they wanted the stamp issued May 5th, the date on which the Chester Centennial takes place.

The Democratic County Chairman (Orange County, N. Y.) or Fitzpatrick the State of New York Democratic Chairman got Sen. J. Harold McGrath, National Democratic chairman to sponsor the bill in the senate except that the date to be May 5, and the place of issue at Chester.

As matters now stand it looks like the Republicans might win if the race is not called off for certainly there is little chance that we can get a Hambletonian stamp under the wire before May 5th and Mr. Donaldson, if he wants to favor the Demmies will have to think up something mighty fast if he approves the stamp.

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## Newest Series Of Six Stamps Designed By Noted Miniaturist; Include Four Regulars, Two Airs

Plenty of razzle-dazzle and color are incorporated into the new issue of stamps which Liberia released on April 14. No reason or commemoration were attributed to the series, but it can be assumed that the stamps are to call attention to the products, the people and history of the country—the designs seem to point in this direction. Four of the series are for regular postage and two for airmail. The 1c, 2c, 3c and 5c are regulars and the 25c and the 50c are air-mail stamps.

One collector has already noted that these six stamps are probably the most "glamorous" of any which have been issued to date by the countries which usually cater to collector dollars. Included in that group with Liberia are Belgium, San Marino, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Russia and most of the Balkan nations.

The black and white illustration of the stamps which appear elsewhere on this page do little justice to the brilliant coloring of the series. In announcing the series, Liberian Postmaster General McKinley A. DeShield stated that they would probably make philatelic history.

This statement can be easily understood, since there has not in current times been a series of stamps to match them for coloring.

These stamps were especially designed by Arthur Szyk, noted American artist and miniaturist, who has already earned a tremendous reputation for his title pages.

Six separate impressions were necessary in the printing—each demanding exact registration to follow Szyk's paintings. The impressions were in red, yellow, dark blue, black, light blue and rose, in that order, with the individual values each having a predominant color.

The one cent value, for example, has a green theme, and pictures two natives, in bright shorts, carrying tall woven baskets on their backs as they approach a native village. The coat of arms of Liberia and the motto, "The Love of Liberty Brought Us Here," appears at the bottom, with ornate native frames at the sides and top.

Rubber tapping and planting are highlighted on the 2-cent value. Rubber is an important product of Liberia—the climate and soil combine to make the country one of the major rubber-producing areas in the world. Liberians such as the Padmore's, Coopers and Brownell's have cultivated large sections, and, of course, the Firestone plantations at Harbel are extremely large. The design shows natives carrying pails of latex to the left, with a tapped rubber tree and its little bowl to the right. In the background natives are planting the seeds which will ultimately be grafted and transplanted in eva groves.

The landing of the first colonists in 1822 is shown on the 3-cent value. In the right background is the "Nautilus" which carried the settlers, and to the left, against a background of Liberia's rich vegetation, is the coat of arms. These early settlers, having first landed at Sherbro, now incorporated in the British Colony of Sierra Leone, moved southward in the direction of Cape Mesurado and settled for a short while on Bushrod Island, where they first landed on January 7, 1822. Later they located

on Providence Island, just off what is now Monrovia.

Jehudi Ashmun, one of the greatest figures in the early history of Liberia, is honored on the 5-cent postage value, leading the natives in a defense of their stockade, erected at the site of present-day Monrovia. In the background, to the left, is Matilda Newport, the "Molly Pitcher" of Liberia.

A native woman, wearing a cross at her neck, and showing pottery, and a Mohammedan displaying a native woven blanket, flank a small map of Liberia on the 25-cent airmail. Behind each of the figures are buildings.

Other natives, with products of the soil, are shown on the 50-cent airmail, flanking a larger reproduction of the Liberian coat of arms.

These stamps were placed on sale simultaneously in Liberia and at the Liberian Philatelic Agency, 25 Beaver Street, New York 4, on April 14, with first day covers canceled as of April 12.

## Florida HPO Inaugural Delayed Two Months

The inaugural HPO trip between Orlando and Leesburg, Florida which was to have been on June 1, was postponed for two months to August 1.

Reason given for the delay was the fact that bids have been reopened for a contractor to furnish the trucks to make the runs. The contractor will furnish the vehicle and the driver, while the Post Office Department will staff it with two clerks.

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AUSTRALIA—The 5/- red, showing the Australian coat-of-arms has been received.

BERMUDA—The three stamps honoring the 100th anniversary of the Perot stamp have been received. Values are 2½d, brown, and blue; 3d, black and blue; and 6d, green and purple. Each stamp bears a reproduction of the first Bermuda stamp (Scott's No. X-1) and a portrait of King George VI.

CEYLON—The two high values of the Ceylon Independence set have been received. These are a 15c red and yellow, showing the flag of the new State; and a 25c blue and sepia, showing the new President.

FALKLAND ISLAND DEP.—We recently reported a 2½d. dark blue, added to the Map set (Scott's type A-1). However, we now learn that this is one value of a whole new set from ½d to 1/- . The new set differs from the original 1946 set, in that the Map has been entirely re-drawn and re-lettered in much finer lines.

INDONESIA—Two additional high values have been received in large format. These are a 10r. green and black, showing a portrait of Premier Hatta; and a 25r. red and black, showing a portrait of President Soekarno.



INDONESIA—(Dutch Government) Four postage values have been issued by the Dutch Government with currency expressed in sen rather than cents, as used heretofore in the Dutch Indies.

The stamps have the word "Indonesia" in the upper label, with the numeral value in the center and "sen" in the lower label.

Denominations are: 2½s., dark olive bistre; 5s., blue; 7½s., dark green; 12½s., red orange. The stamps are printed by photogravure, and appear to be unwatermarked. It is likely that additional values will be forthcoming.

INDONESIA—This Republic will undoubtedly set some kind of record for the number of stamps issued in the shortest space of time.

We have just received a 7½r. violet and brown, showing a plane in flight over a map of the archipelago. This stamp is a part of a series printed in Austria, and is very attractive.

IRELAND—The two new Air-mails reported here last month have been received. These are the 1d. brown, showing the angel Victor in flight over the Rock of Cashel; and the 1/- green, showing the angel in flight over Glendalough. On both stamps there is the legend "Vox Hiberniae."

IRELAND—A new series of stamps can be expected, bearing the wording "Republic of Ireland," to replace the current stamps of "Eire."

JAPAN—A 5 yen, green, has been issued to commemorate Japanese Arbor Day. The stamp shows two stylized trees.

ROMANIA—A 20 lei, bright red, shows a portrait of Frimu and

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RUSSIA—We have it on good authority, from our correspondent in Bulgaria, that a Stalin mourning set has already been designed, so as to be available for issue as soon as Stalin dies. Our correspondent wisely requests that we do not give him credit for this information, as he wishes to remain alive so as to supply us with these stamps when they become available.

SIAM—A 50st. has been added to the current set of portraits. The color is green.

SPAIN—A 45c, red, has been received, showing the three-quarter portrait of Dictator Franco, similar to the 70c, violet, reported here last week. It is possible that additional values will be forthcoming.

## Circus Fans Will Appreciate New Book

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There is not a word about stamp collecting in the entire book which would help a collector to add to or improve his or her collection, but there are a lot of words and pictures about a universal love of stamp collectors—the circus.

Readers will at once recall the name of Fawcett from their stamp reading, for James Waldo Fawcett, responsible for some of the many photographs in the book is stamp editor of the Washington Star.

Fascinating as a trip to the circus itself, the book actually does take one on an arm chair trip to the Greatest Show On Earth, the Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey circus. There is quite a bit of emphasis on the human interest angle, and it is here that the attraction of the book is to be noted.

Peeps into the lives of the performers, and their children who in turn grow up into "big-toppers," as well as the routine of winter quarters, life on the road are all given with the authority of first hand observation. For the author travels with the circus regularly whenever the opportunity offers.

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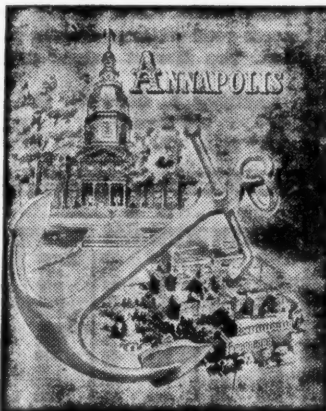
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By Carl P. Rueth

Ever so often someone writes in asking the names of the men who are shown on the Iwo Jima stamp which was issued in 1945 as a tribute to the part the United States Marines played in World War II.

The following names have been certified as correct by General Vandergrift to H. M. Brehm of New London, Wis. who passed them on to me.

The six were Sgt. Michael Strank, Pfc. Franklin R. Sousley, Pfc. Ira H. Hayes, Pfc. Rene Arthur Gagnon, Cpl. Harlon H. Block and Navy Ph. M2/C John H. Bradley. The first five men were marines.

Strank, Block and Sousley were killed in action.

(Why not clip this out or copy it right now for future reference?)

Most persons do not know that the flag raising as depicted on the stamp did not occur until after two previous attempts had been made and broken up by Jap snipers. The third wave of volunteers did the job and it is these men who are shown on the stamp.

Due to the fact that there were actually three attempts made by three different groups of men to raise the flag, confusion resulted in naming the actual heroes.

No room for confusion here.

1. Which was the first commemorative or memorial stamp which because of the demand was produced by the flat and rotary presses both?

2. What was the name of the place on which the flag raising occurred as depicted on the Iwo Jima stamp?

In his stamp column in the Camden (N. J.) Courier-Post, Elmer C. Pratt advises that it is possible to obtain a sheet of 56 poster seals which are intended as propaganda for the prevention of forest fires.

Requests are to be directed to the Chief of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

And when you get some, if you do, use them on your mail to make your fellow man conscious of the great damage caused by forest fires.

Just what the Boston group which is sponsoring the APS Convention and Exhibition hopes to accomplish by charging \$5 for permission to exhibit, and then an added \$5 for each frame used, it certainly isn't of a democratic nature.

And Boston is supposed to be one of the cradles of democracy!

Why doesn't the APS limit such fees to say \$2 at the most, and if necessary to subsidize the show, which it doesn't do now.

Under present conditions, the clubs which sponsor the APS convention have all the financing and the arranging and other work to do without any financial help from the parent APS Society itself. You can hardly blame the sponsoring clubs for trying to make ends meet since most stamp clubs are not financially able to absorb much of a deficit.

On the other hand since the APS is supposed to be for all collectors, that \$10 and up fee is going to disgust and discourage a lot of folks from exhibiting their stamps and even from continuing their memberships.

While the APS actually has no real control over the frame fees and other items of cost, it better get in there and do something



**ICELAND SEMI-POSTAL STAMPS.** In the early days of June, Iceland plans to issue a set of five semi-postal stamps the surtax from which will be applied to the support of five different charitable institutions. The 10 plus 10 aur. pictures a bedfast child and a hospital building and is for the benefit of the Children's Hospital. The 35 plus 15 aur. pictures a Red Cross Nurse and is for that society's benefit. The 50 plus 25 aur. will help the Tuberculosis Sanatorium and anti-tuberculosis work—it depicts a nurse and patient and a hospital. The Old Folks Home will be supported by the surtax from a 60 plus 25 aur.; the stamp design shows an elderly couple. Iceland's Life Saving Society is to share in the funds also—the 75 plus 25 aur. depicts a sea rescue. The illustration and the information about the stamps was sent by Jonas Halgrímsson, Reykjavik, Iceland.

about such highhandedness, since the Society will be the one to suffer and not the Boston big shots. And incidentally, I am a member of the "clan." My APS number is 24015.

**A DID YOU KNOW ITEM:** Should a fellow collector tell you some time that between twenty and thirty million commemorative stamps were destroyed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing before they reached the public, he might know the story which follows.

It happened back in 1912, and it was to eliminate a glaring error which was incorporated into the design of the 2c value of the Panama-Pacific Exposition issue.

In anticipation of the completion of the Panama Canal, the city of San Francisco began plans for an exposition to celebrate the event. The Post Office Department was asked to issue a set of stamps to supply propaganda for the Exposition and the Canal which it did.

As originally issued, the series consisted of four stamps with values of 1c, 2c, 5c and 10c. All were to have been released during December 1912, and all were, except the two center which is the one that had the error.

If you will look at your copy of the 2c stamp, you will note that the wording under the picture says "Panama Canal." The

20 to 30 million stamps which were destroyed had the wording "Gatun Locks" in the same place, and this was wrong.

The Gatun Locks of the Panama Canal had been selected as the design of this stamp. The Bureau did not find a good picture of them to use as a model for the engravers, so Director Ralph made an ingenious substitute. The Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department had a display of model locks for the Canal. Into the one of the Pedro Miguel locks, Ralph had some water placed and model ships floated. A picture was then taken and this was the model for the stamp design.

Of the 16 plates prepared to print the stamp, eight were used at once, and the 20 to 30 million stamps were run off before someone pointed out to the POD that the design was of the Pedro Miguel Locks and not of the Gatun Locks as the wording under the stamp said.

Not one of the "error" stamps ever reached the public, and the reengraving of the plate delayed the appearance of the stamp until January 18, 1913.

The Canal was opened for the first day to commercial traffic on August 15, 1914, and the Exposition at San Francisco opened the following year on February 20, 1915 and lasted until December 4.

A bill, S. 1550, was introduced into the Senate on April 11 for a stamp to honor the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Interior Department. Senator Taylor was the sponsor.

It has been referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

If you think that the 100th anniversary of the Interior Department deserves recognition, which I certainly believe it does, why not just take a minute to write a few lines to this effect to Postmaster General Donaldson, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C. He is supposed to be the final authority on the stamps to appear.

1. This was the Harding Memorial issue of 1923.

2. The flag raising occurred on "Mount Suribachi"

**Fabian Offices Will Be Closed During May**

Gustave H. Fabian, 13 Perry St., Hempstead, N. Y. has announced that his order department will be closed during the month of May. Therefore readers who have sent their orders to him will not get service on them until after that time.

Mr. Fabian plans a five weeks trip which will be in the nature of a buying trip and a vacation and which will take him through some of the United States and Mexico.

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## British Silver Wedding Stamps

Ever since this series of stamps started coming over here we have been pestered with complaints from both collectors and dealers about unethical practices with regard to prices. It has gotten to such a point where if we attempted to correspond with those complaining and those complained about in an effort to iron out the difficulties we would need a couple extra stenographers and someone extra to handle the matter. The complaints have been much more frequent lately. We can readily understand the cause of the complaints for they stem from the fact that a collector sees an offer of these stamps by a dealer at a quoted price. He remits his money but does not get the stamps. Instead he gets a letter to the effect that the stamps have advanced in price or that they are sold out at present. What the dealer should do in these cases is either to fill the order or to return the money immediately.



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The fault lies in the fact that the dealer is attempting through black market money sources to buy the stamps at prices lower than sound and legitimate supply sources in London offer the stamps. He is promised something at a price. He prints an advertisement offering at a price and then is held up by his source of supply and does not get the stamps or he refuses to sell at the price he originally quoted.

It is of course rotten business. We are told that we should refuse to accept further advertising from those dealers who have been complained of in this respect. Our defense is that if we did this we would have to throw a lot of advertisers out. They would advertise in other papers, for we have never yet seen any of them that have thrown any of these advertisers out for the reasons as explained.

The one great fault in the stamp trade is lack of any sound Business Men's organization that has an interest in developing a sound mode of operation and a line of business ethics in the stamp trade.

It is not possible for the stamp papers to police the stamp trade. What should be done is that the stamp trade should police itself for the good it would do the hobby. This might be done someday if enough good sound business men ever get into the stamp business. We are confident that the business would benefit if this were done, but it is fully apparent that those who are at the head of the trade as represented by the ASDA are not of that opinion.

The incident we mention with reference to the British Silver Wedding stamps is only one of many things that bedevil the publishers week after week. Any honest publisher will tell you the same story and I feel that all of us would be happy to have the troubles eliminated.

Perhaps as we have suggested in the past, we need a Judge Landis for the hobby. This suggestion has also been made by other writers and right now there is available a man who would be ideal for this post. We might even go further and suggest that this man be made head of the American Stamp Dealers Association at a substantial salary and with power to act for the good of the trade plus the good of the hobby. We believe if this were done that it would be the greatest forward step ever made for the betterment of conditions philatelic, that has ever been taken. The man has proven his ability, his mettle and he would be acclaimed by those who know him as a Godsend to the troubles that have beset our hobby in both the field of collecting and in the field of dealing. He is a man who could be trusted implicitly to work for the best interests of our hobby and any sensible person knows we need something of this nature mighty bad.

Don Lybarger who has served as President of the American Philatelic Society for the past four years is the man for this post. The A. P. S. would have been doing a bright thing if they had drafted him for life, for Don has done more for the A. P. S. than all the Presidents of the last fifty years rolled into one ball.

We believe his association with the stamp trade and the hobby either as a Judge of the Base Ball world type or as head of the Dealers Organization would benefit every legitimate stamp dealer as well as every collector. His work would do more than anything else to make our hobby grow and to put it in the place it so much deserves as the greatest hobby in the world.

The stamp trade and the publishing trade is big enough to support a man of this calibre. Now is the time, another such man might be hard to find at a later date. Lybarger is capable, honest, sincere and his management of the A. P. S. over the past years shows conclusively that he knows how to work and get things done.

The opportunity is at hand, will the stamps dealers of America miff it?

## Sorry We Forgot You Bob

In our editorial of last week we overlooked mention of one of the men in Miami who is most deserving of mention and we want to correct it right now by referring to Robert Knobel, publisher of the Southern Philatelist. His address is 3240 N. W. 27th Ave., Miami, Florida.

In making the rounds of the downtown stamp dealers in Miami you never find Bob for his office is way out in the sticks so to speak and to visit with him is a task in itself. So in telling of the local downtown boys we just naturally forgot about Bob but feel that we must speak of him to make our survey complete. He is an ambitious young man with a lovely family and an urge to work hard for he has recently taken over the Southern Philatelist which is a four page tabloid stamp paper similar in size and format to our own. Bob has a big job on his hands and we sincerely hope that he can put it over. Better write and ask him for a sample copy of his paper.

## Women's Stamp Club Celebrates Founding

Members of the Chicago Woman's Stamp Club will celebrate the 19th anniversary of the founding of the group with a dinner for members and friends. The date is May 13.

The club meets the second and fourth Fridays in the Rotary Room of the Toffenette Restaurant, 65 W. Monroe St., Chicago.

Present officers are Lucy Murray, president; Louise Teugels, vice-president; Minerva Edmett, secretary and Bess Weidenfeller, treasurer.

## Philatelic Foundation Seeks Ashbrook Data

For many years, Stanley B. Ashbrook, the outstanding philatelic student of Fort Thomas, Ky., has been slowly but surely accumulating a file of philatelic data on United States 19th Century and Confederate States stamps, postal markings and postal history that is of inestimable value to American philately.

His files contain thousands and thousands of photographs of stamps and covers, dating back over thirty years, as well as thousands of hand-drawn tracings of rare postal markings, auction records, and all sorts of data, indispensable to the scientific study of the subjects in which he has so painstakingly devoted his attention for years.

Mr. Ashbrook is our foremost authority on U. S. postal laws, regulations, rates, markings and uses, and scarcely a week passes without numerous requests from collectors all over the country for solutions of unusual rates and uses.

He has built up a library and reference file in this branch that is without equal anywhere else. His files on Foreign Rate covers (U. S. Mail to foreign countries) contain more data on this subject than has ever been accumulated by any other American philatelic student. He is, of course, our recognized authority on this branch of philatelic research work.

Mr. Ashbrook started his study of our 1847 Issue in 1916, and it was in that year that he laid his foundation of the plating of the 5c 1847. He is positive that the 5c value will never be plated, but his files contain more valuable data on the subject than has ever been accumulated elsewhere, and a careful survey of his files on the 1847 Issue will convince anyone that here is a mine of information that is unequalled.

In this section is included the original files of Dr. Carroll Chase on the 1847 Issue, including his manuscripts written in 1916.

Students who are familiar with this unique accumulation which has become so valuable to scientific philately believe that steps should be taken to acquire it for the Philatelic Foundation where it would be added to the famous Luff Reference material, and be forever available for the study of American Postal History of the 19th Century and for the use of the Expert Committee of the Foundation.

Saul Newbury of Chicago has had first-hand contact with the Ashbrook files on numerous occasions, and he was one of the first to suggest that steps should be taken without delay to see that all of this valuable philatelic data be eventually acquired by the Philatelic Foundation, and to start the ball rolling he contributed \$1,000 to that end.

As soon as Harold Brooks of Marshall, Mich., heard of this, he voluntarily suggested that he would add \$500 to the amount, and at the present time a group of collectors has agreed to contribute a total of over \$4,000.

The thought in mind would be to leave this material in Mr. Ashbrook's possession during his lifetime, or as long as he would care to continue to build it up. Then, to encourage him to add as much material to it as possible, and create a fund that would pay the necessary annual expenses for photographs and other expenses that would be involved. In the meantime the entire collection would be the property of the

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At the present time the Philatelic Foundation does not have sufficient funds to acquire material of this nature, hence funds will have to be forthcoming by private subscription.

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## Siam Specialized Catalog Announced

Siam is one of those countries about which it is difficult to get authoritative information about the various stamp issues released. To some extent, this handicap has been overcome for some of the issues by a recent book in the English language from that country.

It is "Postage Stamps, Stationery and Postmarks of Siam 1939-1948." Special consideration has been given to the issues printed by the Survey Department at Bangkok.

The information was compiled and edited by the Siam Philatelic Society.

Much of the information centers about the stamps produced during the war years when it was difficult for "outsiders" to obtain any information at all. The treatment of each of the separate issues is rather detailed, and for this reason will give the specialist much to work on.

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## Connecticut Collectors To Meet In Waterbury

May meeting of the Connecticut Philatelic Society is to be held in Waterbury, Conn. where the group will be the guests of the Waterbury Stamp Club.

Place of the meeting is the Mattatuck Historical Bldg., 119 W. Main St. the time, Saturday afternoon, May 14.

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## Germany's 1949 Hanover Fair Stamps Claimed Best Since War; Appear In Souvenir Sheet Also

What a number of collectors regard as the most attractive series of stamps to appear from Germany since the end of the war are the three of identical designs which were issued to mark the 1949 Hanover Export Fair in the Western Zone of Occupied Germany. The choice of design and color has won the approval of nearly all German collectors—heretofore, they have been most critical of the stamps which were issued in either the Western or Eastern Zones, and also those of the three states of the French Zone of Operation. Denominations of the three are 10, 20 and 30 pf; colors are blue green, red and ultramarine respectively.



While the stamps were on sale at most of the larger post offices in the Western Zone on the first day of issue, April 22, and received regular cancellations, those covers mailed at the Hanover Fair Station received a special cancellation.

The man in the design is Hermann Hillebrand Wedigh a famous German merchant of the 16th century. His portrait was adapted to the stamp design from a painting made of him by Hans Holbein the Younger in 1533.

Appearing at the lower left of the design is a merchant sailing ship of the same era in full sail. Also to be seen in back of Wedigh is a Mercator Projection of a Globe of the World.

Completing the design is the wording, "Exportmesse-Hanover, 1949" and "Deutsche Post" and the numeral of value.

All three of the stamps are issued in panes of fifty stamps with the usual inscriptions on the selvage designed to make the post office clerk's task of accounting an easier one. They were printed on watermarked paper (cross and circle) at the government printing plant in Berlin.

A souvenir sheet bearing one copy of each of the three stamps was produced for the Hanover Fair also. It was not generally available at post offices and could only be secured at the special post office at the Hanover Fair.

In order to be eligible to purchase a sheet, a ticket of admission to the Fair had first to be obtained. This ticket had to be presented at the time the sheet was bought at the Fair post office, the ticket then being duly stamped with a postmark to forestall a repeat purchase.

German collectors were very much in opposition to this practice, and had voiced their sentiments in the newspapers and philatelic press. They claimed that this practice played into the hands of the few who were able to be in Hanover to buy the sheets and then sell them for many times their cost to those collectors who were not able to be present.

While the souvenir sheets have a face value of 1 Mark each, they were sold at 1.40 Marks, with the 40 pf. surtax designated to help defray the costs of the Fair.

There were two periods of sale set up for the souvenir sheets.

The first existed from April 22 to 28 when the Fair displayed articles of a general commercial nature. The second period will exist from May 20 to 30 when machinery and things of a technical nature will occupy the exhibition space.

According to George S. Martin, Postamt 36 Nuernberg, Germany, there will be a total of one million of the souvenir sheets issued. Of the single stamps there will be seven million of the 10 and 20 pf. value and six million of the 30 pf.

The small postal tax stamp "NOTOPFER BERLIN" which has had a variable existence as far as philatelic appearance is concerned is to be found now on watermarked paper having wavy lines progressing in stair step style from the top to the bottom of the pane.

Previously it had appeared imperforate in two shades of blue, light and dark, and then perforate.

The "NOTOPFER" stamps with the wavy watermark were claimed by several of the big Berlin dealers to be extremely scarce since previously a few sheets only had been "discovered" in the Cologne post office. The claim of "rarity" for the wavy watermarked stamps will hardly hold good since sheets of them have been available at post offices in other German cities.

German collectors are vigorously protesting the coming issue of commemorative stamps to honor Goethe which the three states of the French Zone are to produce. The collectors claim that the number produced of each of the recent issues has been too small to prevent speculation and a vicious spiral upward of prices.

Inasmuch as they would like to add all the stamps of Germany to their collections, trying to keep up with current emissions has not been possible for a great number of them. Due to this same scarcity of collector money, the prices on some of the short issues of recent date have not advanced as prophesied by many of the dealers which hold them.

It has taken an offering of near superb and expensive material to bring bids from collectors at the many auctions throughout Germany. According to persons reporting from Germany it is quite possible that the sky-high prices which have been the rule there are soon to go very much the other way.

Buyer resistance has been reported as great.

### Official Michigan Town List Published

All of the Michigan towns which have used precancelled stamps up to and including March 15, 1949 are listed in the Official Michigan Town List published jointly by four precancel clubs.

Sponsoring clubs are the Detroit Precancel Club, the Central Ohio Precancel Club, the Illini Precancel Club and the Hoosier Precancel Club.

Previously, Official Lists had been published for Indiana Ohio and Illinois by the same group.

The Detroit Precancel Club meets the third Thursday of each month at the GAR Bldg., Cass and Grand River in Detroit at 8 p. m. All collectors are welcome to attend.

Request for a copy of the Michigan List or details about the club can be secured from the secretary, Alvin F. Simon, 14750 Rutland Rd., Detroit 27, Mich.

Belgium's Film Festival issue of 1947 consisted of one stamp which pictured Joseph A. F. Plateau.

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### NEW TOWN AND TYPE LISTS.

Hoover Bros. have released the following states in Town and Type lists. Minnesota, South Dakota and Tennessee. Since these lists have just been compiled they should be right up to date for the Town collector. Minnesota takes three pages.

The last one is not full on the back side but the others are full on both sides. I didn't think Minnesota had that many Types and Towns. Minnesota should be a good state to specialize in. Tennessee fills one page both sides and so does S. Dakota but Tennessee has a few more towns.

There are not too many states left and I hope they all can be released soon. These lists are printed, not mimeographed, on 8 1/2 x 11 size heavy paper and punched to fit a regular standard ring binder. The price of these different sections was not on the lists so interested collectors will have to contact Hoover Bros.

### OHIO

I received through the mail the other day a 1c precancelled envelope from Midvale, Ohio. I have known for some time this item existed but never saw one. Midvale is one of the semi-rare Ohio towns—Bath is another new regular user of precancelled stamps. It is north and a little west of Akron. I hesitate to say just what number it is but it should be about the 730th OHIO town to use precancels.

There is some adjustment going on in the listings and that number may not be correct. Anyway the stamp noted was on a 1c President in U-120N type.

### Slogan Cancellation For Osteopathic Meet

The United States Post Office at St. Louis, Mo. is using a slogan postmark to mark the coming convention of the American Osteopathic Association. The convention is planned for July 11 to 15 inclusive.

The wording of the slogan is "Diamond Jubilee. Science of Osteopathy" and is to bring attention to the 75th anniversary of the announcement of osteopathy on June 22.

The slogan cancellation will be in use from March 1 to July 31 inclusive.

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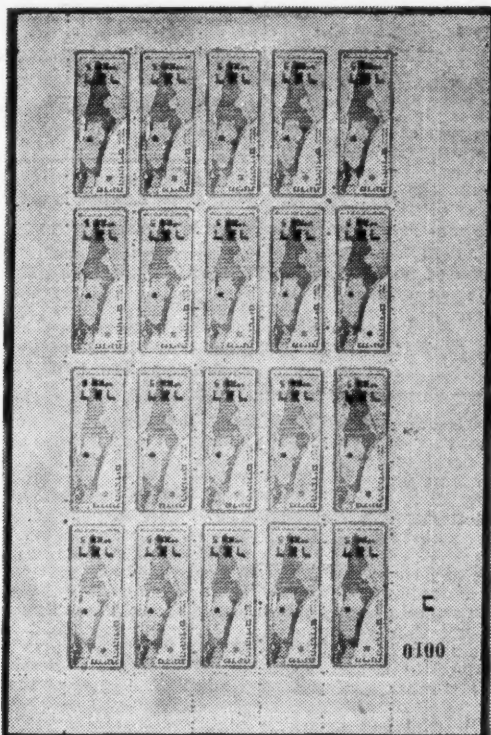
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## THE INTERIM PROVISIONALS OF JERUSALEM

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Exactly one month before the end of the British mandate on May 14, 1948, the Palestine Postmaster-General in Jerusalem announced the dates for the closing of post offices. This information was published in the Palestine Post on April 14, as follows:

Rural Post Offices	April 15
Head Offices	April 30
Town Post Offices, and Branch Post Offices in the urban areas of Jerusalem, Haifa, Tel-Aviv, and Jaffa	April 30
Head Post Offices in said four cities, and Lydda Airport Post Office	May 5

The next day, April 15, there was a new announcement with respect to the acceptance and delivery of all kinds of international mail:

Final dates for posting:	
Head Offices and Parcel Offices	April 30
All other Offices and Agencies	April 15
Latest dates for posting letters and printed papers:	
Head Offices	April 30
All other Offices	April 15
Latest dates for delivering letters and printed papers	April 30
Latest dates for posting registered letters	April 30
Latest dates for delivering registered letters	April 30
Latest dates for posting airmail:	
Head Offices, and Lydda Airport Post Office	May 10
All other Offices	May 5

These were the official dates announced, but as a matter of fact the breakdown in postal functions came sooner. On April 26 it was officially announced that Lydda Airport had been closed down the day before and that all outgoing mail services were therefore suspended.

Two days later, April 28, an official of the General Post Office told a news reporter that "the collapse of the postal services in Palestine is complete," and that "there is no longer any inland mail service in the country from one point to another."

In the meantime the British, American, and French postal authorities, respectively, announced in their own countries that only unregistered airmail to Palestine would be accepted. A message from London published in the Palestine Post on April 28 indicated that letters "posted in Britain during the last few days" had been returned to the senders marked "No Mail."

A week later it was announced that the last 700 bags of civilian mail out of Palestine had left Haifa aboard the Jewish SS. Kedmah on May 6, 1948. This was the last announcement made by the mandate postal authorities.

The Beginning of the Jewish

postal services. Soon after the collapse of the postal services of the mandate government, the Haganah (Jewish Defense Army) announced that provisional postal services had been arranged for the period between May 1 and May 15. These services were to be operated in the area of the then proposed Jewish state. All post offices would be open as usual, special stamps issued, and four categories of mail handled:

Ordinary mail (inland and foreign)  
Registered Mail (inland)  
Parcel post (inland)  
Telegrams (inland and foreign)

These services commenced on May 2. Jerusalem, however, was isolated by the enemy and was without connection with the outside world except for a few small planes of the Jewish Air Force which landed daily on a hastily built airstrip near the Jewish section; it was another week before postal services were resumed in this city.

On May 9 three branch post offices (of the former mandate government) in the Jewish sector of Jerusalem (Rehavia, Mahne Yehuda, and Mea Shearim) were reopened under the auspices of the Minhelet Ha'am (People's Administration), then the highest Jewish governmental authority. Three stamps were issued in Jerusalem entirely different from the provisional stamps used in all the other Jewish areas of the country.

In Tel-Aviv and Haifa the Kerem Kayemet L'Israel (Jewish National Fund) had turned over to the Minhelet Ha'am its labels, which were handstamped in varicolors with the word Doar (Post). Many different labels were thus used.

In Jerusalem the KKL put at the disposition of Minhelet Ha'am only the latest issue of its labels showing a map of Palestine with the frontiers of the proposed Jewish state (as adopted by the United Nations Resolution of November

ber 29, 1947). The designer, Alexander Lustig, was killed in action in the Etzion Block in the Judean Hills during the very days that his stamps were issued for postal purposes.



Jerusalem I

The plates had been made at the firm of Picovsky under supervision of Mr. Korngold of the KKL offices. The overprinting was done by the Lipshitz Press. Three stamps were issued on May 9:

5 mills red-brown on yellow paper, for printed matter;  
10 mills blue on light blue paper, for ordinary letters;  
25 mills red-brown on white paper, for registered letters.

These stamps were arranged in sheets of ten (two horizontal rows of five), and were overprinted with the word "Doar" in one line and the value in a second line, 24-1/2 mm apart. An 11 1/2 line perforation was used and the paper was not watermarked. Size of the stamps was 20x50 mm.

Exact numbers printed are not available, but approximately 90,000 stamps of all three values combined were overprinted. Prob-

### THE IPPSA

The Israel-Palestine Philatelic Society of America (IPPSA) is an international organization whose members are interested in the stamps of those countries. Membership is open to interested persons. In several cities there have already been formed chapters of the society which are enjoying great success, and which are keeping the members informed of the stamp news as it affects their interests. National contacts are kept up through the IPPSA News Letter, a rather elaborate club bulletin. Further information about the stamps of Israel or Palestine or the Society can be secured from S. N. Shure, 225 W. Huron St., Chicago, Ill., national president of the group.

ably less than 20,000 complete sets were issued. The very narrow margins around the small sheets left no room for plate or sheet numbers.

As soon as the post offices were opened, people queued up to buy their own first stamps, and after a few hours it became apparent that this issue would not last longer than a few days. So far—  
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324	329	335	344	345	347	348	359	368	369	373	376	377	380	382	383	385	386	387				
391	404	042	042	044	044	049	050	051	052	053	054											
3c Each:	22	30	33	32	32	69	120	122	123	139	140	156	157	158	159	166	232	237				
264	272	273	274	280	281	283	286	287	291	295	297	316	319	326	351	367	368					
372	374	376	379	383	389	390	400	407	412	014	022	028	028	031	033	034						
4c Each:	35	44	65	67	68	68	76	127	128	132	188	234	239	245	248	270	311	333				
347	356	377	386	389	392	398	025	046	046													
5c Each:	231	240	255	257	268	300	331	332	333	341	366	378	403	414	038	038						
032	035	036	037	043	043	048	048															
6c Each:	101	135	135	166	193	236	249	261	277	284	296	317	335	336	337	348						
354	367	369	372	378	381	400	403	413	038													
7c Each:	91	126	160	271	315	361	378	394	034													
8c Each:	67	125	143	162	246	247	256	258	318	329	350	363	368	369	369	369						
365	368	370	380	382	387	390	401	404	405	407	015	055										
10c Each:	49	50	102	103	104	142	163	174	236	250	260	313	331	328	363	373						
B37	C8	C6	014	030																		

2	1.50	134	.25	199	.12	318	.12	348	.50	381	.12	406	.20	C7	.25
7	5.00	136	.30	213	.15	318	.35	348	.30	384	.35	413	.20	C8	1.25
10	.80	138	.25	214	.17	321	.25	350	.25	384	.15	415	.20	C8	1.25
11	.80	138	.25	215	.12	322	.35	354	.18	388	.25	424	.15	J1	.30
21	2.75	140	.27	224	1.00	326	.12	356	.35	388	.12	428	.15	J21	.12
31	1.18	154	.40	230	.20	334	.25	357	.12	395	.32	436	.15	O11	1.50
36	.15	170	.15	233	.15	337	.25	361	.22	396	.45	434	.25	O12	.12
40	.20	171	.15	238	.25	338	.15	364	.35	397	.55	435	.25	O13	.12
51	.60	183	.20	248	.15	339	.17	364	.15	398	.70	436	.25	O30	.20
66	1.00	194	.85	254	.12	339	.17	367	.15	401	.12	438	.15	O40	1.25
73	.12	195	.25	262	.25	340	.25	371	.35	402	.40	439	.18	O40	.25
85	.12	196	.25	263	.55	340	.17	371	.17	402	.20	441	.15	O41	.12
129	.12	197	.15	267	.12	341	.15	375	.25	405	.12	C1	.00	Q1	.45
131	.50	198	.18	288	.15	343	.15	378	.16	406	.32	C7	.25	Q2	.58

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No.	Mint	Used	No.	Mint	Used	No.	Mint	Used	No.	Mint	Used
62-65	..	.15	239-47	..	.20	323-25	..	.15	377-79	..	.25
67-69	..	.10	248-62	..	.10	326-28	..	.20	380-82	..	.28
77-94	..	.32	264-67	..	.15	329-31	..	.07	383-85	..	.40
99-104	..	.35	268-74	..	.20	332-34	..	.30	386-90	..	.48
115-21	..	.10	275-79	..	.10	335-37	..	.35	391-98	..	2.30
122-25	..	.15	280-88	..	.20	338-41	..	.60	400-03	..	.60
127-29	..	.25	290-92	..	.05	342-44	..	.15	404-07	..	.55
145-59	..	.45	293-98	..	.15	345-47	..	.55	408-31	..	1.45
167-68	..	.25	299-300E	..	.10	348-50	..	.30	412-36	..	1.50
190-93	..	.10	301-09	..	.10	351-57	..	.45	437-43	..	.65
194-96	..	1.30	310-12	..	.07	360-62	..	.10	C1-3	..	3.25
197-211	..	35.00	313-15	..	.10	363-65	..	.50	C6-7	..	.35
213-27	..	35.00	316-18	..	.50	366-68	..	.27	O28-40	..	.85
230-35	..	.40	319-21	..	.12	369-73	..	.60	Q1-2	..	1.00
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### INTERIM PROVISIONALS

(Continued from page 6)

ther stamps were rushed into print  
the same day (May 9).

This time both the basic labels  
and the surcharge had to be  
printed. The new issue appeared  
on the afternoon of May 10 at two  
of the post offices, in sheets of 20  
(four horizontal rows of five  
each). The Hebrew plate num-  
ber "2" (letter Beth) and sheet  
numbers, both printed in black,  
appeared in the upper left mar-  
gin. For the 10 mils stamp no  
blue paper was available, and a  
light blue wash was therefore ap-  
plied to the sheets before the de-  
sign was printed. The overprint  
followed in a third operation.



Jerusalem II

Numbers printed of this issue:

5 mils	40,000 stamps
10 mils	160,000 stamps
25 mils	40,000 stamps

The lines of the overprint of  
this issue were 1 mm. apart, at  
the foot of the stamps. Colors  
and papers were the same as in  
the first issue (except for the 10  
mils already described). The en-  
tire printing of this second issue  
was done at the Ha'oman Press.  
With the exception of the 5 mils  
this issue lasted until the first Is-  
rael stamps were available in Jeru-  
salem on June 20, 1948.



Jerusalem III

At the beginning of June, while  
Jerusalem was still enclosed by  
Arab armies, the 5 mils stamps  
were sold out. A third issue was  
therefore made at another print-  
ing house (Goldberg). This  
showed a small difference in the  
overprint, the numeral "5" hav-  
ing the neck stroke slanting in-  
stead of vertical as in both previ-  
ous printings.

Very few of this issue were sold  
and no announcement was made  
about its appearance. The plate  
number this time was the Hebrew  
numeral "3" (Letter Gimmel)  
printed in the red-brown color of  
the stamp. The sheet number ap-  
peared in black, followed by a  
star. Numbers printed are not  
known, but this is the rarest of  
the "Jerusalem Provisionals."

The postmark used for the can-  
cellation of these stamps was simi-  
lar to those used in the Jewish  
territory under the Minhelet Ha'-  
am: a double ring rubber stamp

36 mm. in diameter, inscribed at  
the top in Hebrew letters "Doar"  
(Post), at the bottom "Jerusa-  
lem," and in the center "Minhelet  
Ha'am." The date was added  
with a separate rubber stamp.

On May 16 a special dated post-  
mark was used on the occasion of  
the founding of the States of Is-  
rael. No previous announcement  
with reference to this postmark  
had been made, and owing to the  
incessant shelling of the Jewish  
parts of the city, very few people  
went to the post offices. There-  
fore, very few of these postmarks  
exist.

It should be mentioned that  
until May 15 the stamps of the  
Palestine mandate government  
could be used. They were can-  
celled with the above mentioned  
postmark of the Minhelet Ha'am.  
This postmark also appeared on  
letters left in the street letter-  
boxes by the mandate postal au-  
thorities when the postal services  
collapsed. The boxes were  
eventually cleared and the letters  
distributed after the opening of  
the Jewish post.

On June 20, 1948, Jerusalem  
was again connected with the rest  
of the country (by Israel's famous  
"Burma Road") and the new Is-  
rael stamps were first sold in  
Jerusalem.

The Jerusalem issues may be  
summarized as follows:

Issued May 9, 1948.

No watermark. Size 50x20  
mm. Overprint in two lines 24 1/2  
mm. apart. Line Perf. 11 1/2.

1. 5 mils reddish brown on yellow paper
2. 10 mils blue on light blue paper
3. 25 mils brown on white paper

Double overprints are found;  
also double perforations. Some of  
the double overprints are found  
with one blind impression, and I  
have seen one sheet with a triple  
overprint consisting of two blind  
impressions.

Also with missing lines of per-  
forations, horizontally above the  
first row of stamps, between both  
rows, or below the second row.  
The overprint also appeared on  
the back of the last two stamps in  
one sheet. Also vertically, so that  
on one stamp only the word  
"Doar" appeared, and on the sec-  
ond, the value.

Issued May 11, 1948.

No watermark. Size 50x20  
mm. Overprint in two lines. 1  
mm. apart. Line perf 11 1/2.

4. 5 mils red-brown on yellow paper
5. 10 mils blue on blue sur-  
faced paper
6. 25 mils brown on white  
paper

In this issue the specialist may  
distinguish between white and  
greyish-white paper. The blue  
paper color of the 10 mils often  
appears to be very pale. Double  
perforations have been seen on  
two sheets of the 5 mils. One  
sheet of the 10 mils with the de-  
sign appearing offset on the back  
has been seen.

Issued June, 1948.

No Watermark. Size, Overprint,  
and Perf., same as Nos. 4-6.

7. 5 mils red-brown on yellow paper

This differs from No. 4 in the  
numeral "5." Whole sheets have  
the Hebrew plate number "3,"  
(letter Gimmel) whereas Nos. 4-6  
have the Hebrew plate number  
"2" (letter Beth). On the few  
sheets sold I have so far found no  
errors.

(Editor's note: This article is  
exactly as written by Mr. Levi-  
sohn—who is the authority for all  
information herein—except for  
minor editorial changes in language  
to conform with philatelic usage  
and American idiom.)

In addition to the varieties noted  
in the article, S. N. Shure, has  
the following in his collection: 1st  
Issue: 25 mils in red-brown on yellow,  
25 mils in blue on light blue,  
and 25 mils in blue on white; all  
are finished stamps—gummed and  
perforated. 2nd Issue: All values,  
imperforate.)

A set of three stamps from Bel-  
gium celebrated the Centenary of  
the steamship line between Ost-  
end and Dover. Shown on these  
stamps are the M. S. Prince Bau-  
doun, S. S. Marie Henriette and  
the S. S. Diamant.

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in use for a period during the  
month of May.

The centennial of the city of  
Oakland, Maryland will have the  
use of a special die bearing the  
wording, "Oakland, 1849, Centen-  
nial, 1949—August 8-14." It  
will be made available during the  
month of May and continue in  
use until August 14 inclusive.

To inspire the citizens of New  
Haven, Conn. to participate in a  
mass x-ray program, the post office  
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this effect on all mail passing  
through the automatic cancelling  
machines. It will read, "Have  
Your Chest X-Rayed NOW." It  
will be in use during the month  
of May only.

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tions should prepare their own  
covers with the name and the ad-  
dress to whom they are to be sent  
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quest that the cancellation be ap-  
plied.

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lished in Minnesota.

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759	.16	776	.06	789	.09	800	.07
760	.18	777	.06	790	.03	801	.07
761	.25	778	.30	791	.04	802	.07
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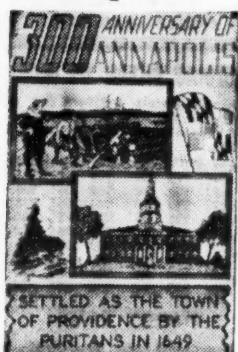
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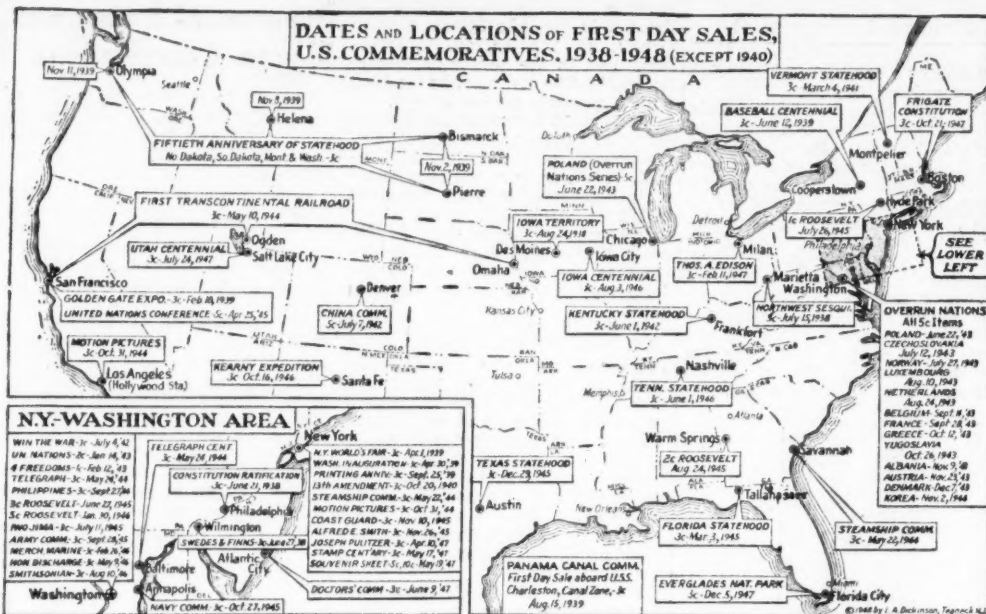
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## The Plate Blocker

By  
Emanuel Strauss

1336 Union Street  
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At this writing the Firemen's  
Issue is starting to waver and  
seems to be on its way out fol-  
lowing quickly in the foot-steps of  
the five commemoratives reported last  
week. No doubt the other late  
1948 issues will follow. Any of  
you folks finding the lower posi-  
tions of Minnesota, Plate Nos.  
24034 and 24035, difficult to ob-  
tain?

There will probably be a mad  
scramble for the new 6c Alexan-  
dria commemorative Airmail after  
the experience of the New  
York Air. I judge no one would  
want to be caught short this time.  
Nevertheless, lest we forget, it  
was not so much the acute short-  
age, of the New York Airs, that  
put us in a frenzy as the awful  
centering of those available.

The new Alexandria Air will be  
a large size commem and it is a  
safe bet to assume that we will  
have better luck with the center-  
ing. In addition there will be a  
printing of 70,000,000 which is  
about twice the amount of the  
New York Airs.

A great amount of the "want-  
lists" and "have-lists" coming my  
way, show a need of the lower  
left positions of Plate Nos. 23955  
and 23956 of the 3c Juliette Low  
issue. Another position that is  
showing up bad, insofar as cen-  
tering is concerned, are the up-  
per lefts of the Harris stamp,  
Plate Nos. 23882 and 23883.

Presidential Series Continued—  
#808—4c Prexie

Pre-Eye Types:-

21960	21961
.75   1.00	.80   .80
.80   .80	.80   .80

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22341	22342
.30   .30	.30   .30
.30   .30	.30   .30

## #809—4½c Prexie

Pre-Eye Types:-

21972	21973
1.25   1.25	1.25   1.25
1.50   1.50	1.50   1.50

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22343	22344
.70   .70	.70   .70
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1.00   1.25	1.25   1.00

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22005	22006
2.00   2.00	2.00   2.00
2.00   2.00	2.00   2.00

#811—6c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

21964	21965
1.75   1.50	1.50   1.50
1.25   1.25	1.25   1.50

## Electric-Eye Types:-

21966	21967
1.25   1.50	1.50   1.50
1.50   1.50	1.50   1.50

#812—7c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

22031	22033
1.75   1.50	1.75   1.75
1.75   1.50	1.75   1.75

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22796	22797
.55   .55	.55   .55
.55   .55	.55   .55

#813—8c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

21968	21969
1.50   1.50	5.50   6.00
1.75   1.75	5.50   5.00

## Electric-Eye Types:-

21970	21971
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1.75   1.75	6.00   5.75

#814—9c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

22035	22036
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1.75   1.75	1.75   2.00

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22798	22799
.60   .60	.60   .60
.60   .60	.60   .60

#815—10c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

22039	22040
1.50   1.75	1.50   1.75
1.50   1.75	1.50   1.75

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22041	22042
2.50   2.75	2.75   3.00
2.75   3.00	2.75   2.75

#816—11c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

22351	22352
.65   .65	.65   .65
.65   .65	.65   .65

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22448	22449
.65   .65	.65   .65
.65   .65	.65   .65

#817—12c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

22983	22984
.65   .65	.65   .65
.65   .65	.65   .65

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22349	22350
2.75   2.75	2.75   2.75
2.75   2.75	2.75   2.75

#818—13c Prexie—  
Pre-Eye Types:-

22839	22840
.55   .55	.55   .55
.55   .55	.55   .55

## Electric-Eye Types:-

22839	22840
.55   .55	.55   .55
.55   .55	.55   .55

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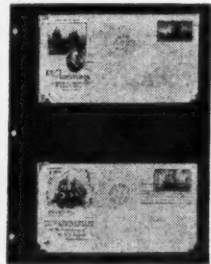
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**NOTES from EIRE**

**F. R. A. McCormick**  
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Just as I mentioned in my last Notes, letters continue to come along now in a steady stream from interested readers and I am getting together a nice little pile of questions to be answered in this column.

I have been asked for some information on the booklets of Eire and what inverted watermarks exist.

Booklets were first issued containing stamps of the definitive designs with "SE" watermarks in the 1/2d, 1d and 2d values (65a, 66a and 68a). Thus these stamps can all be found with inverted watermarks, and nowadays are not too common. (Incidentally I might mention that the 2 1/2d value also exists with inverted watermark but not from booklets as this stamp was not issued thus, they came from a sheet issue-No. 69).

In 1940 the watermark was changed to "E" and the same values were issued in booklets (106a, 107a, 109a). The next year the rate for inland postage was changed from 2d to 2 1/2d and at some later date the 2d value stamps were dropped from the booklets and the 2 1/2d value (110) substituted.

Some time after 1945 the 1/2d value with the sword design was dropped and the O'Clery design took its place, so that today the booklets contain the O'Clery 1/2d, Map 1d and 2 1/2d Arms, all with "E" watermark.

Thus you can realize that the old sword 1/2d and especially the 2d map designs with inverted watermarks had comparatively short lives. And by the way the 2 1/2d in booklet form is not listed by Scott.

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on the definite designs, the O'Clery stamps present another problem. Because the O'Clery stamps are printed with the long side horizontal, the watermark therefore appears sideways.

Thus these stamps from booklet panes may be found with the watermark sideways in two directions. One of these represents the normal position and the other is the equivalent of an inverted watermark. How to separate them?

If the normal stamp is examined it will be found that the opening of the "E" of the watermark coincides with the opening in the curve of the large E in the design of the stamp. In the inverted case, the opening in the watermark "E" is enclosed by the curve of the design E. It is rather difficult to describe, but can easily be seen by examining an ordinary sheet stamp.

A correspondent from Brooklyn, N. Y. tells me he believes that in the States there are clubs which specialize in the collection of the stamps of every country in the world—except Ireland! He wonders if an Irish Stamp Club could be started?

Well! I think it would be an excellent idea, but it is up to some one on the spot. And judging from the number of letters I have received from readers who tell me they have Irish relatives I do not think that there should be much difficulty in starting such a club.

So now, if any of you Eire fans like the idea, why not get cracking! I could help by mentioning it in this column. Anyway its an idea.

Apart from the two new Air mails mentioned in my last Notes there are no official announcements of any further new issues either to the definitive designs or Commemoratives. But as soon as I get any news you will have it post haste under this heading.

Several readers asked if a complete catalogue or check list of Irish stamps exists. I am afraid that the answer to that one is NO.

Years back there was a very comprehensive catalogue published by W. G. Meredith, the last edition of which was issued in 1927, but it is out of print for a long time now and copies are scarce. I expect like a lot of other books, most of them went up in smoke or salvage during the war years.

Some day I might pluck up sufficient courage to try my hand at putting my notes together for a booklet on Eire, but it takes a lot of time to collect the necessary data about all the varieties and so on, but you can help me there by letting me know of any interesting things you come across on the stamps of Eire.

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Another printing was made of the large 6c airmail stamp in booklet form from plates 23258-9, indicating that as yet the Department is not ready to issue the 1949 6c airmail in that form.

The numbers which were assigned to plates during the month of March are as follows:

- Postage Due 5c 400 subject plate, numbered 24058.
- Postage Due 10c, 400 subject plate, numbered 24059.
- Postage Due 1/2c, 400 subject plates, numbered 24066-7.
- Postage Due 30c 400 subject plate, numbered 24068.
- Postage Due 50c, 400 subject plates, numbered 24069-70.
- Presidential 20c, 400 subject plates, numbered 24060-1.
- Presidential 3c, 400 subject plates, numbered 24071-2.
- Presidential 4 1/2c, 400 subject plate numbered 24073.
- Presidential 6c, 400 subject plates, numbered 24074-5.
- Presidential 8c, 400 subject plate, numbered 24076.
- Presidential 10c, 400 subject plate, numbered 24077.
- Puerto Rico 3c commem. 200 subject plates, numbered 24062-3-4-5.

The following is a list of the plates which were sent to press and printed from for the first time during the month of March.

- Presidential 1c coil, 170 subject plates, numbered 23792-3.
- Presidential 8c 400 subject plates, numbered 23780-1.
- Airmail 6c, series of 1941, booklet, 180 subject plates, numbered 23258-9.
- Puerto Rico 3c commem., 200 subject plates, numbered 24062-3-4-5.

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**INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY CACHET.** On May 3, Israel released a specially prepared envelope on which was imprinted a 30 mills value of the recently issued flag stamp. Included in the cachet are the seal of Israel, the back of an old Roman coin of 70 A. D. and the official army emblem of Hagannah. The inscription at the top means, "First Anniversary of Independence." Covers were cancelled at the three principal cities as well as at the stamp show at Tel Aviv. The picture of the envelope is shown through the courtesy of Gimbel's Stamp Department of New York City.

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**RHODESIA-NYASSALAND AND PROT.** It is reported that Nyassaland Protectorate and the two Rhodesias will federate into a new dominion in the near future. A new name will be adopted and of course a new set of stamps with the possibility of a special set to commemorate the event.

**IRELAND.** The new Republic of Ireland officially came into being with the celebration of April 18th, 1949. There will probably be an entirely new set of stamps and perhaps a new commemorative set or a surcharging of present stamps.

**PHOTOGRAVURE STAMPS.** Inasmuch as the process of printing by this process is much cheaper than other methods, it is probable that in the future many of the stamps of the British Empire will be produced by the photogravure process. It is also a speedier method and stamps can be produced quickly in large quantities.

Collectors are warned that photogravure stamps may be ruined by use of certain water-mark detector fluids such as carbon tetrachloride which will dissolve some of the inks used. These inks are also soluble in water and used stamps should not be immersed in water to remove same from paper.

The best method of removing photogravure stamps from paper is to place stamps face down on a dry clean white blotter and then cover same with a wet clean white blotter, leaving them in this way for 24 hours. A large number of blotters can be stacked on top of each other with a weight on top.

**AUSTRALIA.** A new 2½ pence stamp has been announced by Australia in honor of the writer and poet Henry Lawson. It is planned to release this stamp on June 17th, 1949.

**ASCENSION.** Although changes in type and color of the 1 pence, 1½ pence and two pence stamps have been on order for some time, there has been new printings of the current stamps of these values as well as the ½ pence.

In these new printings the ½ pence has reverted to the 1938 perforation 13½, while the 1 pence, 1½ pence and 2 pence have appeared in a new perforation 14.

In view of the impending

changes in color and type of these values, the stamps perforated 14 will be in demand by specialists, as they will be available for a short time only.

**U. P. U.** The Crown Agents recently announced a commemorative set in connection with the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union, and that the sets for all territories will be released on Oct. 10, 1949. Along with the territories served by the Crown Agents, some if not all of the Dominions and their dependencies may be expected to take part in this money making celebration

## Exhibition Dates

May 1-31—Birmingham Philatelic Society, Museum Room, Public Library, Birmingham, Ala.  
May 5-8—Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, Hotel Racine, Racine, Wis.  
May 7—Binghamton Philatelic Society, YMCA, Binghamton, N. Y.  
May 7-8—Butler County Philatelic Society, Standard Motor Co. Display Room, Butler, Pa.  
May 7—Universal Ship Cancellation Society, Annual Convention, Hotel Garde, New Haven, Conn.  
May 13-15—Buffalo Stamp Club, Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y.  
May 13-15—Stamp Exhibition of Southern California, Elks Club, 607 S. Park View St., Los Angeles, Calif.  
May 13-15—Albuquerque Philatelic Society, Hilton Hotel, Albuquerque, New Mexico.  
May 14, 15—Missouri Philatelic Association, Missouri Hotel, Jefferson City, Mo.  
May 18—Blair County Stamp Club, Elk's Club, Altoona, Pa.  
June 4—Ithaca Philatelic Society, Bibbins Hall, Ithaca, N. Y.

Alaskan Gold Rush  
Marked With Cachet

A Nome Golden Anniversary cachet will be offered from Alaska on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Gold Rush of 1899.

Sponsored by the Walrus Club, a group of civic minded men of the city, the cachet will appear in three colors of gold, red and blue. The design will picture a background map of Alaska, a Polar Bear, and a Walrus.

Inquiries about the cachet can be directed to the Santa Claus Stamp Shop, Nome, Alaska. Joseph K. Hunt, proprietor, states that he will be able to supply the covers with the cachet franked with the Alaska stamp of 1937.

## FRANCE - 1938 to DATE

1938-40. Design of 1849. Ceres	Mint Used	1942. Mercury Design Inscrbed "Postes"	Mint Used	1945-46 Pictorials and Comems (Cont'd)	Mint Used
335 1.75f blue	.08 .03	455-58 10c to 50c, 7 stamps with shades	.10	570a 15f claret	.14 .03
336 2f rose	.05 .02	1942. Pictorials and Commemoratives		571 20f slate gray, Pointe du Raz	.14 .03
336a 2f carmine rose	.10 .03	459 10f green, Arras	.10 .08	571a 20f bluish slate	.10 .03
337 2.25f ultramarine	.15 .04	459a 10f yellow green	.12 .10	572 10f blue, U.N.E.S.C.O.	.10 .10
338 2.50f green	.07 .03	460-63 5f to 20f, Coat of Arms	.35 .30	573 6f rose red, Cannes	.10 .06
339 2.50f dark ultramarine	.06 .03	464 4f ultram., Lavoirier	.04 .04	573a 6f dark brown	.05 .05
340 3f rose lilac	.10 .03	465 20f green, Railroad P. O.	.03 .03	574 25f gray brown, Nancy	.20 .03
340a 3f dark rose lilac	.15 .04	466 4f dark blue, Beaune	.06 .06	574a 25f black brown	.15 .03
1938. Engraved Pictorials		466a 4f light blue	.08 .08	1947. Ceres and Marianna	
347 55c violet, Gambetta	.05 .05	466b 4f gray blue	.10 .10	575-76 1.30 and 3.50f	.04 .03
348 2f black brown, Arch	.15 .05	467-70 5f to 20f, Coat of Arms	.30 .30	1947. Commemoratives	
349 (2.15f) lilac brown, Miners	.08 .03	471 4f dark ultramarine	.04 .04	577-80, 3.50 to 10f blue, Post Un.	.20 .20
349a 2.15f violet brown	.15 .05	471a 4f light ultramarine	.08 .08	580a 10f bright ultramarine	.15 .05
350 3f brn. brown, Avignon	.30 .03	472 15f dark brn., Chenonceaux	.15 .15	581 4.50f sepia, Pavie	.10 .10
351 8f ult. blue, Carcassonne	.10 .02	473 15f dark brn., Chenonceaux	.15 .15	1947. Marianna and Commemoratives	
351a 5f ultramarine	.20 .05	473a 15f black brown	.30 .30	582-83 3f green, 5f blue	.06 .06
352 10f brn on bl., Vincennes	.15 .08	474 4f ultramarine, Chappé	.06 .06	584 4.50f chocolate, Feneclon	.06 .06
353 20f dk. green, St. Maie	.20 .20	1944. Rooster and Marianna Issue		585 5f brown, Boy Scouts	.06 .06
354 50f ultramarine, Ader	3.00 1.00	Lithographed in Algiers. Some of the values have dull colorless gum.		586 6f carmine, Marianna	.06 .02
354a 50f deep ult., thick paper	3.50 .50	1944. Pictorials and Commemoratives		587 5f sepia, Resistance	.05 .05
1938. Commemoratives		477-95 5f to 20f, 19 values	.75 1.00	588 1f on 1.50f blue, Ceres	.02 .02
355 1.75f ultramarine, Soccer	.30 .20	496 25f gray blk Chenonceaux	.20 .15	589 15f red brown, Conques	.08 .03
356 1.75f ultra., Champagne	.30 .20	496a 25f intense black	.30 .20	590 12f carmine, Luxembourg	.06 .02
357 55c blue grn. La Fontaine	.06 .06	497 4f myrtle grn., Bugeaud	.05 .05	591 18f blue, Conques	.08 .03
358 1.75f ultra., Royal Viat.	.10 .05	498 2.40f brn. Carm., St. Denis	.03 .03	592-94, 9f 3f to 10f Marianna	.15 .06
1938-42. Mercury Design		1944. Mercury Design, #455-58, Overprinted RF		595 18f dk blue, Chateaubriand	.10 .07
359-72 1c to 75c, 18 stamps with shades	.40 .30	499-502 10c to 50c, 7 values with shades	.10 .10	595a 18f bright, Chateaubriand	.10 .04
1938-40. Mercury Design Freecancelled		503 4f dark ultra., Liberation	.03 .04	596 6f black, Lescier	.04 .04
364, 366, 367, 369b, 370 set of 5	.60 .60	1944-45. Marianna by Dulac, Engraved in London		598-99 12f and 18f, United Na.	.15 .10
1939-40. Commemoratives		Perf. 11½ x 12½		600 12f carmine, Dam.	.06 .06
379 2.25f prussian blue, Cezanne	.10 .10	505-23a 10c to 50f, 20 values	.75 .75	601-02 5f and 8f, two portraits	.07 .07
381 90c ultra., "S.S. Clem."	.08 .10	Prepared but not issued. Printed by Hellogravure		603-07, 09 Marianna, new values	.25 .25
382 2.25f ultra., N.Y. Fair	.10 .10	523b-g 25c to 3.50f, both types 17.50		608-09 15f, 25f, Nancy, Luxemb.	.30 .30
382a 2.50f ultramarine, same	.25 .20	1944-45. Issued by Allied Military Government, Lithographed in Wash. Perf 11		1930-31. View of Marseilles	
383 2.25f blue, Photography	.15 .15	2N1-9 5c to 5f, first issue	.12 .15	C3 1.50f carmine, white paper	.50 .10
1939-41. Iris Design, Type A9		2N10 10f orange, rare	.85 1.00	C3a 1.50f carm., yel. paper	.35 .35
383a to 385f, 80c to 4f, including shades and paper varieties	.65 .35	2N11-20 30c to 5f, second issue	.10 .15	C6 1.50f ultra., perforated	15.00 .15
384b 1f deep crimson, poor impression	.60 .60	1945-47. Broken Chain, Ceres and Liberty		C6a 1.50f ultramarine	2.50 .25
384c 1f rose, booklet pane 10 2.00		534-37 10c to 50c, 9 stamps incl. varieties	.19 .12	C6c 1.50f blue	.60 .06
1939-40. Commemoratives		538-34, 26a, 38, 10 stamps with paper & color varieties	.25 .25	C7 2.35 violet	.35 .35
386 2.25f ultramarine, Liege	.15 .30	536, 37, 39-47, 18 values to 15f, including shades	.30 .35	1936. Plane Over Paris	
387 90c red, Gregoire de Tours	.06 .10	1945. Liberty Head, Engraved		C8-13 85c to 3.50f	3.00 1.75
388 90c slate grn. Revolution	.06 .10	548 4f blue	.05 .06	C14 85c green	20.00 12.00
389 70c brn. carm., Strasbourg	.10 .10	548a 4f dark blue	.08 .08	1936. Bank Note Issue	17.00 9.00
390 90c black brn., Verdun	.10 .10	549 10f blue	.10 .04	1936. 100th Atlantic Crossing	
391 90c rose on blue, Pau	.10 .10	549a 10f pale blue, thin paper	.15 .15	C16-17 1.50f and 10f	7.00 2.50
392 70c blk on blue, Languevie	.04 .04	550 15f red violet, thin paper	.30 .30	C18 40f green	.25 .08
393 90c brown viol., Lyons	.06 .06	551 20f green	.20 .10	C19 50f rose pink	.30 .10
394 50f ultra., Guynemer	.60 .40	551a 20f yel. green, thin paper	.30 .30	C19a 50f carmine	.35 .15
394a 50f pale ultramarine	1.00 .40	552 25f red orange	.25 .07	C20 100f dark blue, Dagnaux	.90 .90
1940-41. Provisional Surcharges		552a 25f red or. thin paper	.40 .40	C20a 100f black blue	.60 .20
395-97 1f to 1.75f to 1f on 2.50f	.30 .10	1945. Same Design, Large Size		C21 200f red	1.50 .40
400-08 30 on 35c to 1f on 1.50f	.40 .30	553 20f dark green	.30 .35	C21a 200f vermilion	1.40 .40
409 1f on 2.15f violet brown	.03 .03	553 20f gray green, thin paper	.40 .40	1947. Postal Union Issue	
409a 2.50f on 5f ultramarine	.04 .04	554 25f violet	.30 .30	Semi-Postal Air Mails	6.00 6.00
410 90c rose on blue	.25 .25	555 50f red brown	.35 .15	C31 50f+30f brn. St. Exupery	.45 .45
411 10f on 20f green	.25 .25	555a 50f thin bluish paper	.75 .75	C32 100f+10f blue, Ader	.90 .90
412 20f on 50f ultramarine	1.00 1.00	556 100f carmine rose	.60 .40	C33 40f+10f blue, Ader	.25 .20
412a 20f on 50f dark ultram.	1.50 .50	1945-46. Pictorials and Commemoratives		SEMI-POSTAL ISSUES	
1941. Marshall Pétain Issue		557-58 2.40f, 4f, Metz-Strasbourg	.60 .10	1927-31. Sinking Fund Issues	
413-16 40c to 2.50f	.30 .30	558 4f henna brown, Libera	.04 .05	B24-26 40c+10c to 1.50+50f	.70 .70
417 1f brn. lake, Mistral	.04 .04	560 2f prussian blue, France Overseas	.04 .04	B27 1.50f+8.50f blue	5.00 5.00
1941-42. Engraved Pictorials		561 3f on 2f or., Tuberculosis	.04 .04	B28-30 40c+10c to 1.50+50c	1.50 1.75
418 5f black brown, Beaune	.06 .03	561a 3f on 2f red orange	.06 .06	B31-33 40c+10c to 1.50+50c	3.00 3.00
418a 5f dark brown	.10 .05	562-65 10c to 60c, Coat of Arms	.05 .05	B34 1.50f+3.50f, Smile Reims	2.50 .25
418b 5f very thick paper	.75 .75	566-67 2f and 10f, Peace Conf.	.10 .10	B37-39 40c+10c to 1.50+50c	3.50 .35
419 10f violet, Angers	.10 .10	568 5f violet, Vezelay	.05 .05	B38 1.50f+3.50f grn., Provins	4.00 .40
419a 10f deep violet	.15 .05	569 10f blue, Luxemb. Pal.	.08 .05	B39-41 40c+10c to 1.50+50c	7.50 .75
420 20f brn blk., Aigues Mortes	.20 .15	569a 10f dark blue	.15 .08	1935-40. Social Welfare Issues	
420b 20f gray brown, retouched numerals	1.00 .30	569b 10f pale blue	.25 .10	B42 50c+10f ultramarine	.13 .15
421 15f carm. brown, Beaune	.20 .12	570 15f viol. brn Roc-Amadour	.10 .03	B43 50c+2f red	1.25 1.25
421a 15f rose brown	.25 .15			B44 50c+25c blue, Statue	.10 .10
421b 15f rose brn., thin paper	.35 .35			B45 75c+50c violet, Statue	.20 .20
1941-42. Marshall Pétain Issue				B46 50c+10c children	.15 .20
427-47 20c to 4.50f, 36 sts incl. shades and paper varieties	.80 .50			B47 20c on 50+5f red	.65 .65
440a 1.50f, booklet pane	1.50 .50			B49, 52-3, 55 Same, 2nd issue	.50 .50
434, 438, 441, 3 vals., precanc.	.35 .30			B56-58 Sports and Leisure	.20 .25
1942. Pétain Issue, Engraved				B59-62 Fr. & Rodin, both sets	.40 .50
448 4f ultramarine	.06 .03			B63 Pierre Loti	.15 .15
449 4.50f green, opaque paper	.06 .03			B64-65 To Save the Race	.20 .25
449a 4.50f yellow grn. thin pap	.10 .10			B66-67 Louvre Museum	2.50 .15
450 5f prussian green	.06 .03			B68 Jean Charcot, green	.30 .25
451 50f black	.50 .50			B69 Jean Charcot, red violet	.30 .25
451a 50f brown black	1.00 .50			B70 Versailles	.50 .60
1942. Commemoratives				B71-72 Two Values, Infantry	.30 .35
452 4f pruss. green Massenet	.04 .04			B73 Medical Corps	.40 .45
452a 4f dark grn. thin paper	.10 .10			B74 Reims Cathedral	.25 .30
453 4f dk. brown & vermill.	.05 .05			B75 Refugees from Spain	.15 .15
453a 4f blk. brn. & carm.	.05 .05			B76 The Curies	.25 .15
454 4f blue, Blondel	.05 .05			B77 Armistice	.15 .20

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## ERROR

CANADA 17c air with error (#CE3) mint plus 16